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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Georgiev *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/462,625

Filed: July 28, 2000

For: **Tumor Growth Inhibition- and  
Apoptosis-Associated Genes and  
Polypeptides and Methods of Use  
Thereof**

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Examiner: Stephen L. Rawlings

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**Supplemental Reply**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Further to the Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, filed June 4, 2003, attached herewith is the executed Declaration of Dr. Sergei Kiselev Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 for the Examiner's kind consideration. An unexecuted Declaration was filed June 4, 2003.

All of the stated grounds of objection and rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot in the previously filed Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the

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Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided. Prompt and favorable consideration of this Supplemental Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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